April 16, 2003

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

> Re: Application by SBC Communications Inc., et al. For Provision

of In-Region InterLATA Services in Michigan, WC Docket No.

03-16

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am writing to inform you that I have expressed my opinion to the Competition Policy Division of the Wireline Competition Bureau today. In particular, I stated how Michigan consumers and businesses would benefit from a fully open and competitive telecommunications market when Michigan Bell is allowed to compete for interLATA long distance services.

In accordance with this Commission's Public Notice, DA 03-156 (Jan. 16, 2003), I am filing this letter electronically through the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System. Thank you for your kind assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Brenda L. Lawrence, Mayor City of Southfield, Michigan

Cc: Gina Spade Susan Pie Ann Schneidewind

